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| In re Application of |) | |
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| Inventor(s): David John COTTRELL et al. |) | Confirmation No. 9909 |
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| Appln. No.: 10/576,936 |) | Group Art Unit: 1792 |
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| Filed: January 19, 2007 |) | Examiner: Angadi, M.A. |
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| Title: AN INK JET PRINTING PROCESS FOR |) | |
| ETCHING METAL AND ALLOY |) | |
| SURFACES |) | |

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:


This supplemental response is being filed following telephone discussion with the Examiner on February 12th at which time the Examiner noted that there was no assignment of record for the present case showing common ownership with the cited Hopper et al. U.S. Patent 7,314,573 and with such common ownership, a terminal disclaimer with respect to said U.S. patent would be required for filing herein.

Pursuant to the foregoing, attached hereto is a terminal disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent 7,314,573.

It is also noted that an assignment to Fujifilm Imaging Colorants Limited signed by one of the two present inventors (Mark Robert James) was separately filed on March 2, 2010. As noted in the Rule 47 papers of record (see, in particular, the declaration and supplemental declaration of Amanda Collier), the other inventor (David Cottrell), now deceased, refused to sign the application papers, including the assignment. It is considered evident that the inventions claimed herein and in U.S. 7,314,573 are commonly owned and that there was an obligation on the part of the respective inventors to assign to the same party, namely, Avecia Limited with assignment to Avecia Inkjet Limited, then by name change to Fujifilm Imaging Colorants Limited.

In view of the foregoing and the attached terminal disclaimer, favorable action is requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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